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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2005 in the above-identified application. For the following reasons, careful reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-6, 18, 25 and 26 are pending in the application. No claim amendments are proposed. Claims 1 and 18 are independent claims.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Amon et al. (US 5,742,621). Claims 2-6, 25 and 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Amon et al. in view of Benedetto et al. (Article entitled "Soft-Output Decoding Algorithms In Iterative Decoding Of Turbo Codes"). The rejections are respectfully traversed.